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POLICY

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2. FOR TRINIDAD AND CARACAS. WE MUCH APPRECIATE EARLY TT INITIATIVE IN PROPOSING ONE POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE VEHICLE FOR AT LEAST PART OF ASSISTANCE FOR SOME COUNTRIES. WHILE WE SEE POTENTIAL MERIT IN VENEZUELAN SUGGESTION THAT IDB PLAY IMPORTANT ROLE IN ORGANIZING COORDINATION ON DEVELOPMENT PLANS, TASK FORCE WILL ALSO BE CONSIDERING ROLE OF OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS CARIBBEAN BANK AND WORLD BANK GROUP. THESE PROPOSALS ARE DIRECTED TO DIFFERENT OBJECTIVES AND NEEDS AND ARE NOT NECESSARILY INCOMPATIBLE, BUT FINAL STRATEGY MIGHT IDEALLY FACILITATE COORDINATION AND COOPERATION IN BOTH STABILIZATION FIELD

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